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Sir

In response to the Final Official Action of November 19, 2007, in which a threemonth shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on February 19, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Final Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Response.